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**Establishment of Special Collection Support Branch in the  
Map Library Division**

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1. Following 9 August 1957, when a letter from Brigadier General John J. Davis, Director of Foreign Intelligence, ACBI, urged the CIA to intensify its efforts on the procurement of topographic maps of the Soviet Union and the Sov-Bloc, the responsibility for the development of that intensified activity was placed upon the Map Library, of the Geographic Research Area, OAR. A highly concentrated attack upon the problem was made, priorities on collection raised, and numerous support activities undertaken. The Army Map Service has collaborated in the assignment of map specialists to this project, and additional cooperation has been received through the temporary assignment of geographers from H/OO. The entire activity is directly related to the missiles program and the need for precise locational information.



4. Recent contact with Army officials and missiles programs indicates that this requirement for topographic maps, expressed as a high priority two years ago, is continuing to increase in importance. It is important that every effort be made to plan, organize, and act to meet this need.

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5. The organizational effect of this request in the Map Library would be to remove one GS-13, two GS-11's, one GS-9 and one GS-7 from the Procurement Branch and to establish a new Branch (the Special Collection Support Branch) consisting of one GS-14, one GS-12, two GS-11's, one GS-9, and one GS-6. One position would also be provided to the new Branch from the Processing Branch (F-234 - GS-4).

6. Attached hereto are job descriptions for the six positions requested for the Special Collection Support Branch. Also attached is a job description for a Geographer, GS-12, to serve as Deputy Chief, of the Procurement Branch.

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**Attachments: As stated**

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